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Examiner Bui,

Attached please find a proposed amended claim 1 for discussion during our telephone interview to be conducted on Wednesday, August 18, 2004 at 4 pm EDT. I will initiate the call. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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(Currently Amended) A system for real-time encoding, transmission and delivery 1. of multimedia signals to a subscriber television broadcast signals from a broadcast provider to a subscriber via Internet Protocol (IP), said system comprising:

video source means for providing multimedia television broadcast signals;

transcoder means for configuring said multimedia television broadcast signals into IP format for multicast transmission for broadcast over a broadband network and for reception by a subscriber device; and

a management system for managing interactive access of said subscriber to said multimedia television broadcast signals, said management system comprising:

an interactive program guide (IPG) component configured for providing to said-subscriber-an a personalized interactive program guide (IPG) generated according to a subscriber profile, and including a list of preferred television broadcast signals permitting to permit selection of said multimedia signals by said subscriber a specified television broadcast signal; and

a subscriber device component associated with said-subscriber device and configured for receiving instructions from said subscriber for selecting said specified television broadcast signal from said list of preferred television broadcast signals in response to a selection signal; and

a subscriber device connected to said broadband network over a broadband connection for generating said selection signal and displaying said selected television broadcast signal, wherein said broadband network is an IP network, and said television broadcast signals are broadcast over said IP network using an IP multicast protocol.